

## Internship Opportunities 2007-2008 Object Conservation Techniques – Pest Management US Army Heritage & Education Center

**Objectives:** Gain practical experience in object conservation and preservation techniques.

**Background:** The U.S. Army Heritage & Education Center (AHEC) has several object conservation projects underway which will provide excellent learning opportunities for students in specialized programs.

## **Internship Description:**

**Requirement:** Screening new accessions for pest issues, isolating affected materials, using a pesticide-free low oxygen method to kill insects from collection materials, and removing pests from affected collections by vacuum. This also involves monitoring of pest traps and pest identification. This process is called Integrated Pest Management (IPM) and is practiced in museums.

**Support:** Tools and appropriate supervision by a professionally trained objects conservator.

**Product:** Project summary and presentation to AHEC staff at the conclusion of the internship.

**Applicability:** This internship is applicable to public history, and museum conservation and preservation, and biology majors.

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